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KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY
Legislative Bill

Blue | Bill # 1

Referred to Committee:
House 3

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Action on the Bill

House	Senate
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An act to make Kentucky a "Die With Dignity State".

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: This bill will give terminally ill patients a choice to give their consent for doctors to give them euthanizing drugs. In the USA, only 3 states (Washington, Vermont and Oregon) let doctors have the right to give terminally ill patients medicine so they can pass swiftly and comfortably. The doctors can only do this with the patients consent. Giving people in Kentucky this option could benefit our state because patients who are terminally ill deserve a choice whether or not to continue treatment. Also, since there are only 3 other states that are currently "die with dignity" states, it could be an opportunity for new residence and revenue for the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Section 2: To enforce this, a patient would have to sign a consent form and have it notarized before the doctors can carry it out. Doctors will not be forced to participate, but will do so voluntarily.

Section 3: This funding will come from the persons estate/insurance to pay for the euthanizing drug.

Section 4: This bill will take effect 6 months after it is passed.